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THE WAR.
TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.
(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

OFFICIAL REPORTS.
LOCAL ENCOUNTERS AT DIFFERENT POINTS.
FRENCH TAKE PRISONERS.
London, May 5, 9.35 p.m.
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—
The French took a number of prisoners during local fighting at night in the neighbourhood of L'Ocre.

To-day there is artillery firing and local encounters at different points.
BRITISH AVIATORS BOMBING OPERATIONS.
London, May 6, 12.55 a.m.
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, reporting on aviation, says:—
The mist yesterday cleared slightly in the afternoon.

We dropped nine tons of bombs on the Chauvines railway junction, Bapaume, Armentieres, Meriville and Estaires. There was little air-fighting.
We brought down one machine and drove down four uncontrolled. Two of ours are missing.
Two machines, previously reported missing, have returned.

Despite the continuance of unfavourable weather at night-time we dropped over three tons of bombs on Chauvines and Bapaume.

GERMAN REPORT.
London, May 5.
A wireless German official report states:—
After very strong firing preparations the French Divisions attacked Kemmel near Baillet and were heavily repulsed.

We took over 800 prisoners.
Our fire prevented the development of an English attack westward of Baillet.
Strong English thrusts southward of Hebuterne failed.

Reciprocal artillery firing was revived in the evening on both sides of the Somme, especially at Villers Bretonneux and on the west bank of the Aye.

LOCAL SUCCESSES OF TACTICAL VALUE.
GERMAN TANKS PROVING A FAILURE.
London, May 5, 11.5 p.m.
Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing to-day, says:—
Some disorganisation is indicated among the enemy troops, who are hindered by heavy rains. The French and British, in the course of a successful operation between L'Ocre and Drancourt, advanced their positions on a thousand yard front to an average depth of 500 yards. We took 48 prisoners and the French about 82.

We drove out the enemy from two or three ruined farms and took some high ground near Koudetot. The French, continuing their operation on our flank, carried some strongly-held buildings in the neighbouring sector. All the enemy counter-attacks were broken up with considerable loss.

These local successes are of distinct tactical value, strengthening our defences of approach to Scherpenberg and Mont Rouge.
There is little doubt that the new German tanks are proving a disappointment, developing various defects in actual service. Their ponderous weight makes manoeuvring on bad ground difficult. They are generally much inferior to ours.

THE GERMAN TANK.
The German tanks resemble more the French heavy pattern than ours. They weigh 45 tons and the highest speed attainable is 10 miles an hour, but only for a short time as the motors become overheated. The protective qualities are poor, despite the weight. The armouring varies between 16 to 23 millimetres and armour piercing rifle ammunition will perforate the hull anywhere. They are 33 feet long and the little conning tower in which the driver sits is hinged, being so high that when the tank is entrained for transport it will not be clear of the bridges. The observation is very poor as the ground is invisible from the interior for some distance ahead. The armament consists of one 57 millimetre gun, and six heavy machine-guns, mounted each side and astern, but the gun ports are vulnerable. The crew consists of one officer and 18 of other ranks. So the interior is packed like a sardine tin. The Germans seem to be repeating all our initial mistakes with a few of their own added.

BRITISH GUNFIRE IN FLANDERS.
COMPLETELY PREVENTS ENEMY MOVEMENT.
ATTACKS SMOTHERED BEFORE LAUNCHED.
London, May 6.
Correspondents in France state that the British gun-fire in Flanders in the past three days has completely prevented any enemy movement. The enemy, undoubtedly prepared for attack on the Allied positions for Saturday, but the British gunners smothered the attack before it could be launched. This increased the disorganisation of the enemy rear. The French prevented the attack on their front by attacking first.

Experts emphasise the difficulty of the enemy in finding a target which will take the Allies by surprise. Certain points of importance are carefully watched, and if other points are attacked the Allied reserves will reach the battle-field as quickly as the German reserves. They are confident that Kemmel can be recovered, if the enemy fails to advance his line in this region.

AMERICAN LIBERTY LOAN OVER SUBSCRIBED.
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WASHINGTON, May 5.
Unofficial figures indicate that the Third Liberty Loan has been over-subscribed by a billion dollars. The subscribers number fifteen millions.
The Loan was closed at midnight amidst patriotic demonstrations.

THE LORD-LIEUTENANT OF IRELAND.
VISCOUNT FRENCH TAKES THE POST.
London, May 5.
The Press Bureau states:—
Viscount French has been appointed Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland. Mr. E. Shortt, K.C., M.P. for Newcastle, has been appointed Irish Secretary.
The Rt. Hon. Mr. H. E. Duke, K.C., has been appointed Lord Justice of Appeal.
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TELEGRAMS.

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RUSSIANS ARREST JAPANESE OFFICIAL.

Tokyo, May 6.
The Russian authorities at Irkutsk have arrested the Japanese Vice-Consul and the President of the Japanese Association.

CONSULS ACCUSED OF PLOTTING.

The Times Tokyo Correspondent, cabling on April 29th, says the Anki Correspondent at Moscow says the Foreign Commissary handed the Consuls-General for Japan, Great Britain, France and the United States a Note accusing the Consuls of participating in the plot against the Soviet Government and alleging that the representatives of these Powers at Vladivostok and Peking were negotiating a counter-revolutionary reorganisation. Bolsheviks have recently been examining and subjecting to indignities Japanese subjects in Siberian towns.

WHY HOLLAND ACQUIESCED IN GERMANY'S DEMANDS.

THE HAGUE, May 5.
The Foreign Minister has informed the Chamber that the German-Dutch tension has ended.

LATER.

The Foreign Minister (Dr. H. Loozebrouck) said the measures which Germany desired were originally only partly acceptable. The measures were the resumption of transport, which had ceased since 1917, between Germany and Belgium by the Dutch waterways, of sand, gravel and broken stone without the Dutch insisting on an expert enquiry regarding the employment of the previously transported materials.

The Dutch objected to uncontrolled transport and unlimited quantities as infringing the obligations of neutrality.

The Germans then stated that they desired permission respecting 1,600,000 tons annually. Holland agreed as the figure was below the maximum quantity which it expressed to the two interested Governments as necessary for the ordinary up-keep of the roads of Belgium. Therefore, Holland was justified in withdrawing the stipulation regarding expert investigation.

Germany simultaneously declared her willingness not to use the material for military purposes. Germany further demanded that she should not be hindered in her right to export a quarter million tons of gravel monthly from Holland to Belgium. During the somewhat long-standing Dutch prohibition of the transport, the exportation, usually free, of sand and gravel had been seriously hindered, and Holland had no longer a strong reason for withholding her acquiescence in a wish concerning a Dutch product whose export was not prohibited.

Germany desired the resumption of the transport of merchandise by the Belgio-German railway via Boervord which Germany itself stopped at the beginning of the war. The terms of the Dutch-German Convention of October 12, 1914, forbade Dutch objection. Germany also desired free transport of all merchandise on this railway, except aeroplanes, arms and munitions. The question of the transport of troops did not arise, but Holland was unable to permit the transport of Army supplies by virtue of the principle of International Law expressly set forth in Article 2 of its proclamation of neutrality.

RAMSAY MACDONALD MOBBED.

SPEECH ENRAGES DISCHARGED SOLDIERS.

LONDON, May 6.
During a Labour "May Day" demonstration at Leicester on Sunday, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's platform was stormed by a body of men, mostly discharged soldiers, and only the prompt action of the police prevented the wrecking of the platform. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald started his speech by admitting that after the German offensive it was far more difficult to talk of peace. He proceeded to complain that the Government took no action upon the Austro-Russian peace offer of a year ago when the crowd carrying the Union Jack rushed to the platform.

THE IRISH PROBLEM.

MR. DILLON ADDRESSES ANTI-CONSCRIPTION MEETING.

LONDON, May 6.
Mr. J. Dillon and Mr. E. de Valera (Sinn Féin Member for Clare) from the same platform on Sunday at Ballagadereen, in Mr. Dillon's constituency in East Mayo, addressed an anti-conscription demonstration meeting attended by 15,000 persons.

Mr. Dillon said if the Irish people kept united and determined for another two months they would defeat conscription. He was convinced that this question would destroy the Government, but to achieve unity Committees throughout the country must be organised in a spirit of frank and friendly co-operation. He was sincerely desirous to give fair representation to all sections in each parish. Unless unity was achieved, the whole game would be thrown into the hands of the military. There was an impression in the country that the danger was passed. That impression was totally false. The Government was undoubtedly staggered, but it would be a disastrous mistake to allow the determination of the people to slacken.

Mr. Dillon suggested the formation of parish committees attached to every church and chapel. Thus if a struggle were forced upon them, the church would be the rallying point. If the central organisation were destroyed instructions would reach the people through the national organisations, especially the priests for the Church in the supreme hour of national danger would come to the rescue of the people. He was convinced that it would take an army which England could ill spare to enforce conscription.

Mr. de Valera said his followers would unite with the Nationalists to defeat conscription. At regard East Cavan the Sinn Féin would submit to one arbitrator, namely the free choice of the electors.

SILVER SHORTAGE IN IRELAND REMEDIED.

LONDON, May 6.

To meet the shortage of silver in Ireland which has been ascribed to hoarding, a large quantity of silver coin arrived in Dublin yesterday from England.

THE LASCAR SEAMAN.

LORD INCHEAPE'S EULOGY.

LONDON, May 6.

Lord Inchcape, Chairman of the P. & O. Co., presiding at the Strangers' Home for Aesthetics, paid a high tribute to the splendid services and gallantry of the native seamen during the war. The Home had provided comfortable quarters for torpedoed native seamen. Not many of our fellow-subjects would sail in German ships for a long time after the war.

Lord Inchcape said the Lascar's sobriety, his calm demeanour in an emergency, and his philosophic endurance of a catastrophe were beyond all praise.

During last year 1,236 Asiatics were admitted to the Home from torpedoed vessels alone, 170 of them were entirely destitute.

JAPANESE AGREEMENTS WITH CHINA.

LONDON, May 6.

The Times Correspondent at Peking, in a cable dated April 29th, reports that a syndicate Japanese banks about conclude loan two million sterling for reorganization of the Chinese telegraph administration under Japanese supervision. The Japanese have also concluded an agreement with the Chinese Government with reference to wireless telegraphy.

WHAT FRANCE HAS LOST.

Mons. P. Hovelacque, Inspector General of Secondary Schools in France, lectured at the Manchester University on France's share in the war. Within three weeks or a month from the commencement, he said, France was deprived of one-sixth of her total wealth, whilst Germany, through violating the neutrality of Luxembourg, seized 9 per cent. of her total iron resources. Out of 170 blast-furnaces the Germans took 65 within the first month, and all their furnaces in consequence had to be reconstructed. They were also deprived of more than 50 per cent. of the total production of coal. France had been stripped of its youth and of its middle-aged men. In villages after villages there are practically no men to do the work necessary to keep France alive. France was a self-sufficient country before the war, but now, through lack of fertilisers and labour, the land was going to waste.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

BRITISH LINE IMPROVED.

ENEMY POSITIONS RAIDED.

SEVERAL PRISONERS TAKEN.

LONDON, May 5.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—
We improved our line and captured several prisoners in the neighbourhood of Sally-le-Sec and eastward of Hebuterne.

We repulsed an attack on our new positions north-eastward of Hingra. Our line is intact.

We successfully raided the Forêt-de-Nieppe sector. Both artillery are active on the Lys battle-front.

THE FRENCH FRONT.

ARTILLERY DUELS.

LONDON, May 5.

A French communiqué reports:—
There was no infantry fighting during the day.

There was an artillery duel north and south of the Avre and on the upper and lower Jilette.

A French communiqué reports reciprocal artillery activity north and south of the Avre, also in the Douaumont-Flirey sector.

GERMAN REPORT.

A German evening official message says:—
French counter-attacks at Kemmel and Baillet failed with very heavy losses.

ENEMY EFFORT RESUMED.

KEMMEL HILLS ATTACKED.

LONDON, May 4.

Reuters Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing to-day, says:—
There is unmistakable sign that the enemy is resuming his effort to force the hill chain west of Kemmel. Last night he opened a tremendous bombardment of Scherpenberg and the neighbourhood of Mont Rouge, lasting a considerable time.

The crushing hurricane bombardment upon the British and French lines north of La Clytte to the south of Mont Rouge was resumed this morning and half an hour later the French were sending up "S.O.S." signals.

No details are at present available.

CENTRAL POWERS AND RUMANIA.

PEACE TREATIES READY FOR SIGNATURE.

AMSTERDAM, May 5.

Austrian, German and Rumanian representatives have finalised an economic treaty supplementing the Rumanian peace treaty.

All the peace treaties between Austria-Hungary, Germany and Rumania are now ready for signature.

DISASTROUS FIRE AT AUSTRIAN CORN MILL.

AMSTERDAM, May 5.

Fire has destroyed the largest Austrian corn-mill at Wysochotz. The damage is estimated at several million kronen and the cause is unknown.

GERMANY'S DRASTIC ACTION IN UKRAINE.

AN EXPLANATION IN THE REICHTAG.

AMSTERDAM, May 5.

In the Reichstag the Vice-Chancellor, von Payer, referring to the events in Ukraine, mentioned in a German communiqué dated May 2, alleged that General von Eichhorn's drastic action was due to the discovery that the Ukrainian Ministers, including several Ministers, had plotted the assassination of all German officers in Ukraine.

ACTION SEVERELY CRITICISED.

Certain Berlin papers severely criticise the actions of the German military authorities in Ukraine, which is now completely controlled by Germans.

The Forward says that affairs in the East are deplorable. The peace concluded there is calculated to scare away the remaining opponents.

The Telegraph says that even optimists may see that the Eastern situation stands on a very unstable foundation.

AMERICAN TRIBUTE TO NAVY'S HEROISM.

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LONDON, May 5.

Tributes to British heroism at Zeebrugge from the American Admiral Sims and Major-General Biddle are published.

The former says: "We need have little fear of the great service on which we are largely dependent for the maintenance of the chivalry and freedom of the High Seas."

Major-General Biddle says: "Such achievements must give heart and pride to every man and every nation engaged in the great struggle."

The men of the United States Army salute the men of the British Navy with boundless admiration and profound respect.

THE BOMBARDMENT OF PARIS.

A GERMAN LONG-RANGE GUN DESTROYED.

PARIS, May 5.

It is confirmed that a French battery destroyed one of the German long-range guns which have been bombarding Paris.

EXPORT PROHIBITION IN NETHERLANDS INDIES.

ADDITIONAL ARTICLES PROHIBITED.

THE HAGUE, May 5.

The Governor-General of the Dutch Indies has extended the prohibition on the export of tin, quinine and kapok to timber, tobacco, sugar, tea, pepper, coffee, copra, petroleum, vegetable oils and skins.

It is officially explained that the object of the prohibition is to ensure to the Dutch Indies proportionate imports of necessities, especially of foodstuffs, in exchange for export.

THE PEAK CHURCH.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of worshippers at the Peak Church was held at St. Paul's College last evening. Dr. J. H. Sanders presided, and there were present:—Dr. Lander (Bishop of Victoria); Archbishop Barnett; the Rev. H. C. Copley Moyle, Mr. H. R. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. W. M. Humphreys, Mr. W. L. Pattenden, Mr. P. Jacka, and Mr. T. G. Fleming.

The annual report states *inter alia*:—
The Church has again been of great value to Peak residents. Of the balance of \$1,554.37 in hand at the beginning of the year \$230 was given to War Charities and \$1,000 invested in the Straits War Loan. The following collections for outside objects were made: Dr. Barnardo's Homes \$24.48; Hospitals \$23.50 and British and Foreign Bible Society \$45. The Committee are now paying \$8 weekly to those clergy who are good enough to enable the weekly Communion Service to be continued. The Committee desire to heartily thank Mr. and Mrs. Bowley for their handsome gift of a carved teakwood retables in memory of Ellen Maria Gibbs, Maria Bowley, Mary Benton and Annie Edwards.

This work of art was executed from the design of Mr. Bird and dedicated on Easter Day, 1918. The Committee also thank the Misses May for the gift of velvet kneeling cushions for the Communion rails, Mrs. W. Meyrick Humphreys for looking after the linen and frontals; Mrs. Knight for arranging the flowers; Miss Innes and Miss Rose Edkins for playing the organ and the men of the Middlesex Regiment who kindly led the singing at the Sunday Evening Services.

The report and statement of accounts were adopted on the motion of the Chairman seconded by Mr. Humphreys.

ELECTION OF OFFICE-BEARERS.

The following were elected office-bearers for the ensuing year:—Hon. Secretary, Rev. H. Copley Moyle; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. P. Jacka; Committee: The Bishop of Victoria, Rev. J. Kirk Macdonachie, Rev. H. Copley Moyle, Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C. and Mr. W. M. Humphreys.

NEXT SATURDAY'S GYMKHANA.

THIS MORNING'S TRAINING GALLOPS.

The following gallops took place at Happy Valley this morning, all on the inside course which was somewhat heavy:—

ESSEX CHIEF (1 mile)—41, 1.20, 1.55.2, 1.4. 35.2.

MARNE (1 mile, last 2)—33, 1.14, 1.46, 1.4. 32.

DOUBTFUL (1 mile)—33, 1.08.3, 1.45.1, 2.19.2, 1.4. 34.1.

PEERSKILL and THE SPEC (1 mile)—35, 1.11.2, 1.45.8, 2.21.1, 1.4. 35.8.

SIAMEN CAT (1 1/2 mile)—42, 1.20.4, 1.52.4, 1.4. 32.

BLACK CAT (1 mile)—35, 1.10.2, 1.47.1, 2.19.2, 1.4. 32.1.

MORNING GLOW (2 mile)—35, 1.08.2, 1.43, 1.4. 34.3.

ANTICIPATION (1 mile)—34, 1.08.4, 1.43.2, 2.17.2, 1.4. 34.

BURBLESAND (1 mile)—34, 1.08, 1.43, 2.19, 1.4. 30.

DIVIDEND (1 mile)—37, 1.13.1, 1.48.1, 2.22.1, 1.4. 34.

GENTLE CAT (1 mile)—37, 1.17, 1.53.4, 2.24.4, 1.4. 31.

HUNTSMAN (1 mile)—37.3, 1.12.7, 1.48.3, 1.4. 36.

SNUFFBOX (2 mile)—35.2, 1.09, 1.42.2, 1.4. 32.2.

GREEN CLOUT (2 mile)—35.2, 1.09.2, 1.45, 1.4. 35.3.

BROWN MOON (1 1/2 mile)—40, 1.14.2, 1.50.4, 2.27, 2.59, 1.4. 33.

CHORUSMAN (1 mile, last 2)—33, 1.10.1, 1.45, 1.4. 34.4.

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The approximate statement of traffic receipts for the week ending 4th May, is as follows:

	Receipts for week	Aggregate Receipts for 18 weeks
Total	12,772	242,060
Last year	12,393	236,780
Increase	379	5,280

THE MAGISTRACY.

ASSAULTING THE POLICE.

Two Chinese pleaded not guilty when charged before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, with behaving in a disorderly manner at Queen's Road West yesterday and also with assaulting the police.

Mr. Leo d'Almada, solicitor for the defence, applied for a remand.

Mr. J. R. Wood remanded the case until next Friday fixing bail at \$50 each.

THE OLD, OLD TALE.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, with being in unlawful possession of ten tals of prepared opium, not Government opium.

Sergt. Murphy said the defendant was arrested at the Yau-mat railway station and the opium was found concealed around his waist.

Defendant admitted being in possession of the drug and gave the usual excuse of having been commissioned by a stranger to convey the opium to the railway station.

His Worship fined the defendant \$250 with the alternative of four months hard labour. The opium was ordered to be confiscated.

INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE.

A Chinese pleaded not guilty when charged before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, with attempting to steal a silver bangle from a child in Shanghai Street, Yau-mat.

Sergt. Murphy said the defendant was seen by a hukong to follow a woman who was carrying the child on her back. He was putting out his hand to snatch the bangle from the child's wrist when the constable arrested him.

A hukong gave evidence of the arrest. His Worship discharged the defendant on the ground of insufficient evidence.

OBTAINING MONEY BY FALSE PRETENCES.

A Chinese pleaded not guilty when charged before Mr. Dyer Ball this morning, with obtaining money under false pretences.

Inspector Browne stated that the defendant showed the complainant, an old woman, a \$10 bank note and asked for subsidiary coins in exchange. She procured the money from her daughter and gave it him, receiving in exchange what she believed to be a bank note wrapped up in brown paper. Further examination revealed the bundle to contain only brown paper. She reported the matter to the police and the defendant was arrested.

Complainant told a long and disconcerting story of having been stupefied by fumes which the defendant blew on her face and then took advantage of her condition to cheat her.

Inspector Browne said the defendant was ashamed of having been so easily duped and therefore told the story of the fumes to cover her confusion. It was a common occurrence.

Defendant said he had given the \$10 banknote to the complainant. The money was wrapped up in brown paper and the complainant in her confusion must have lost it. It was quite safe to assume that possibility hearing the account she gave of her loss.

After further evidence Mr. Dyer Ball sentenced the defendant to three months' hard labour.

A COAL EXPORTER'S MISUNDERSTANDING.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. A. Dyer Ball this morning, with exporting 50 tons of coal per S.S. *Tung Lee* without an export permit.

Mr. G. R. Hayward, for the defendant, said the cargo was consigned to a Dutch firm in Java. The defendant obtained an export permit at the Import and Export Office and was instructed that the permit had to be used by the Dutch Consul previous to exporting the goods. The defendant did not understand the instructions and shipped the goods without having the permit used. But when the mistake was discovered the defendants made every possible attempt to remedy it and telegraphed to the shipping company not to discharge the cargo until everything was in order.

Mr. Traftman of the Import and Export Office agreed that the defendant had made every effort to remedy his mistake.

After the evidence had been heard, Mr. Dyer Ball fined the defendant \$25.

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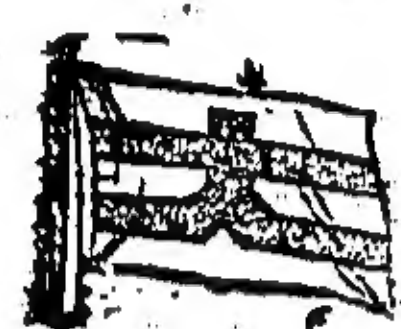
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Hongkong, March 20, 1918.

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FIRM'S CHEQUES FOR
PRIVATE DEBTS.J. JOHN AND CO. V. DODWELL
AND CO., LTD.

Judgment in this appeal was delivered by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, before Lord Haldane (presiding), Lord Shaw and Sir Walter Phillimore. It was an appeal from the Supreme Court of the Island of Ceylon in the action to recover the value of cheques alleged to have been drawn fraudulently by a former manager of respondents' Ceylon business. The appellants are a firm of brokers, Colombo, and the respondents are Messrs. John and Co., Ltd., of London, E.C., and at various branches. The appellants were defendants in the action, and were ordered by the Supreme Court of Ceylon to pay to the respondents the sum of Rs. 14,500 with interest. The question for determination was whether the respondents were entitled to recover the amount of the cheques or any part thereof, either as (1) money had received by the appellants for the use of the respondents, or (2) damages for wrongful conversion of cheques. The case was argued at considerable length on Dec. 1, 4, and 5 last and judgment given.

Lord Haldane, in giving judgment, said:—The question is whether the respondents are entitled to recover from the appellants the whole or part of a sum of Rs. 14,500. Williams had acted as Messrs. Dodwell's manager at Colombo since 1903. He held a power of attorney which enabled him to conduct the business of the respondents at Colombo, and for that purpose conferred on him wide powers, including the drawing of cheques on their bankers. The respondents had transacted business with the appellants and sale of produce. The latter had opened a separate account with Williams, who employed them in the purchase and sale of shares. With Williams the appellants carried on business in two capacities: in general business to be dealt with them as the respondents' agent for produce, but so far as his dealings in shares were concerned, there were private transactions on his own account as principal, and not as agent. He was reputed to have made a good deal of money by dealings of this kind, and he owned shares on which the appellants were able to procure advances for him when he needed them. Williams had bought and sold shares largely in both of what were known as the rubber booms of 1903 to 1904, and of 1909 to 1910. He had employed the appellants and other brokers in these transactions. In the period of the second boom his dealings through the appellants were large. In the course of these dealings he paid to them large sums for purchases, and was credited with large sums for sales. Among the sums he paid to them were the amounts of the cheques which were drawn by Williams under the respondents' name. The appellants, in the course of these dealings he paid to them large sums for purchases, and was credited with large sums for sales. Among the sums he paid to them were the amounts of the cheques which were drawn by Williams under the respondents' name. The appellants, in the course of these dealings he paid to them large sums for purchases, and was credited with large sums for sales. Among the sums he paid to them were the amounts of the cheques which were drawn by Williams under the respondents' name.

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PARADES AT BELCHERS BATTERY.

Tuesday, 7th May:—

7.30 a.m.—Right Half Company.

Full drill with the exception of

Layers who attend examination on

6th May.

5.15 p.m.—Left Half Company. Full

drill with the exception of new

D.R.F. and new Layers' classes.

Thursday, 9th May:—

5.15 p.m.—Left Half Company. New

D.R.F. class only.

Friday, 10th May:—

5.15 p.m.—Left Half Company. New

Layers' class only.

Orders for Engineer Company by

Captain W. Russell.

Sat to 10th May:—

P. L. MANNING-NIGHTLY.

Parades as per rotas posted at Head-

quarters. Engine Drivers at 6.30 p.m.

Electricians at 6.45 p.m.

OFFICERS NEXT FOR DUTY.

Belchers: 2nd Lieut. Marley.

Lyceum: 2nd Lieut. Templeton.

Stonewaters: 2nd Lieut. Brown.

INSTRUCTION FOR N.C.O.s AND MEN OF THE

INFANTRY BATTALION ATTACHED FOR DUTY.

Class 1 at Belchers at 8.30 p.m. on

Mondays and Thursdays.

Class 2 at Belchers at 8.00 p.m. on

Tuesdays and Fridays.

Class 3 at Lyceum at 6.30 p.m. on

Tuesdays and Fridays, under Staff Serg.

Owendine and Parsons, R.E., Serg. Day

and Corp. Norris, H.E.D.C., at Belchers;

and Staff Sergs. Barclay and White,

R.E., and Serg. Williams, H.E.D.C., at

Lyceum.

Detail of Belchers Beliefs for May and

detail of duties at Lyceum from 1st to

16th May are posted at Headquarters for

information of all concerned.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by

Major H. A. Morgan.

PARADES.

Company.

Wednesday, 8th May:—

5.30 p.m.—N.C.O.s of Nos. 8 and 4

Platoons (as detailed by Platoon

Commanders) at Headquarters.

T.E.T.

Friday, 10th May:—

5.30 p.m.—N.C.O.s of Nos. 1 and 2

Platoons (as detailed by Platoon

Commanders) at Headquarters.

T.E.T.

MACHINE GUN COMPANY.

Thursday, 9th May:—

5.10 p.m.—Drill at Headquarters. The

following men only need attend:—

Ptes. Field, Irvine, Labrum, A. C. D.

Logan, C. R. Logan, McKernan,

Pinquett and Stapleton.

MOUNTED SECTION.

Thursday, 9th May:—

5.30 p.m.—At Jockey Club Stables.

Dress, drill order without rifles.

SIGNALING SECTION.

Friday, 10th May:—

5.30 p.m.—Parade at Headquarters.

Dress, clean fatigue.

Note.—Rifles (with bores free from oil)

and sidearms are to be brought to the

parade on 7th May.

SECURITY.

Friday, 10th May:—

5.30 p.m.—All units except "D"

Company on Murray Parade Ground,

under Sergs. Edmonds and Meade.

Dress, drill order.

Orders for Cadet Company by 2nd Lieut.

J. E. W. Beall.

PARADES.

Swimming.

G. E. STEWART,

Captain,

Adjutant, H.M. Defence Corps

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1918.

NOTICE.

Sergeants' Mess.

A photograph of members of the Ser-

geants' Mess will be taken at Headquar-

ters at 5 p.m. on Monday, 13th May.

Dress: cap, shorts and puttees, belt and

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Hongkong Observatory May 7, 1918.

WEATHER REPORT.

May 7d. 12h. 04m.—No returns from

Japan and Vladivostok. Pressure has

increased moderately at Shanghai and

decreased slightly elsewhere; a weak

anticyclone again covers W. China, and

a depression is indicated for Tongking;

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours

ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch.

Total since January 1st, 0.25 inches,

against an average of 12.10 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at

noon on the 7th May:—

1.—Hongkong to Cap Rock: E.

winds, fresh to moderate, cloudy.

2.—Fuzhou, Canton: E.E. winds,

moderate.

3.—South coast of China between

Hongkong and Lantau: The same as

No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between

Hongkong and Hainan: The same as

No. 1.

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